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In re application of: Shoichi YAMAGUCHI  
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For: DUCT SYSTEM AND STORAGE APPARATUS

GAU: 3749  
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicant submits herewith a Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63 and:

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form;
- ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed;
- ☐ \$ for filing fee, search fee, and examination fee;
- ☒ \$130.00 surcharge for filing late Declaration;
- ☐ \$ for a one month extension of time;
- ☐ Executed Declaration/Power of Attorney;
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- ☐ Verified English language translation of the originally filed non-English application; and

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- ☐ Request for Corrected Filing Receipt;
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement;
  - ☐ Form PTO-1449 and reference(s);
- ☐ Priority Application No. filed ;
- ☒ Executed Assignment with Form PTO-1595; and
- ☒ \$40.00 recordation of Assignment fee.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## For FY 2006

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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### Complete if Known

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

**Total Claims** -20 or HP =            **Extra Claims**            **Fee (\$)**            **Fee Paid (\$)**            **Multiple Dependent Claims**  
**Indep. Claims** -3 or HP =            **Extra Claims**            **Fee (\$)**            **Fee Paid (\$)**             
HP=highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20  
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#### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

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Other: (e.g., late filing surcharge):            **Response to Missing Parts of Application; and**  
**Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet**            **\$170.00**

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